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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 and 5 - 12 are pending in the application.

Claim 1 has been amended by incorporating therein the features of original claims 3 and 4. Furthermore, Applicants confirm the election of Group II, Fig. 4, for prosecution on the merits until a generic claim is found to be allowable. Claims 1, 5, 6, 8 and 9 are readable on Group II. Claim 1 is also generic to claims ™ and 10 − 12.

Applicants believe that the application is now in condition for allowance. However, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, the undersigned would welcome a telephone call from him in order to resolve any outstanding issues and to expedite placement of the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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